

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
 Ulrich Fotheringham et al.)
 Serial No.) Group:
 Filed:)
 Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE) Examiner:
 HOMOGENOUS HEATING OF GLASS)
 AND/OR GLASS-CERAMIC ARTICLES)
 USING INFRARED RADIATION)

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT DELETING
 MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS**

Assistant Commissioner of Patents
 Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to calculating the filing fee, please enter the following amendments to the application.


IN THE CLAIMS

In claim 3, line 1, delete "one of claims 1 or 2" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.
 In claim 4, line 1, delete "one of claims 1 to 3" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.
 In claim 5, line 1, delete "one of claims 1 to 4" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.
 In claim 9, line 1, delete "one of claims 8 to 8" and substitute therefor --claim 1--.
 In claim 11, line 1, delete "10".
 In claim 12, line 1, delete "one of claims 9 to 11" and substitute therefor --claim 9--.
 In claim 13, line 1, delete "one of claims 9 to 12" and substitute therefor --claim 9--.
 In claim 14, line 1, delete "one of claims 9 to 13" and substitute therefor --claim 9--.
 In claim 17, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 16" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.
 In claim 21, line 1, delete "one of claims 16 to 20" and substitute therefor --claim 16--.
 In claim 22, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 21" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.
 In claim 24, line 1, delete "one of claims 22 to 25" and substitute therefor --claim 22--.
 In claim 25, line 1, delete "one of claims 22 to 24" and substitute therefor --claim 22--.
 In claim 26, line 1, delete "one of claims 22 to 25" and substitute therefor --claim 22--.
 In claim 27, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.
 In claim 28, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.
 In claim 29, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.
 In claim 30, line 1, delete "one of claims 15 to 26" and substitute therefor --claim 15--.

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